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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Applicants : Pascal PENNETREAU et al.)
Application No.: 08/549,322)
Filed : October 27, 1995)
For : PROCESS FOR THE) **AMENDMENT**
PREPARATION OF 1-CHLORO-)
FLUOROETHANE AND/OR)
1,1-DIFLUOROETHANE)
Attorney Docket: SLVAY 0829)

December 29, 1997

FEE Enclosed: \$None
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 29, 1997,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 to 10 as follows:

1. (Amended) A [P]rocess for the manufacture of 1-chloro-1-fluoro-ethane, [and/or] 1,1-difluoroethane or mixtures thereof, with reduced formation of heavy halogen-containing side products, by reaction between hydrogen fluoride and vinyl chloride in the liquid phase, wherein the hydrogen fluoride and